

POLICEMEN PROMISE PROTECTION TO VOTERS

3260 Members of Association Pledged to Do No Partisan Work

Members of the Patrolmen's Benevolent and Protective Association, numbering more than 3260, have pledged themselves to protect voters tomorrow in all the city's wards and also to suppress any of the "rule by numbers" tactics which characterized the last primary election day.

The pledge was announced by Harry M. Dickerson, secretary of the association, following the warning issued to city officials by District Attorney Rotan and his plea to citizens to help bring to justice any violators of election laws.

Mr. Dickerson promised the most hearty cooperation of 3260 members of the association to Mr. Rotan in enforcing order. The association has a total membership of 3260. Resolutions were passed at the meeting of the association urging the members to do nothing but police duty on election day under threat of immediate dismissal from the organization.

"We will do nothing but police business on election day," said Dickerson, speaking for the 3260 members of the association. "The resolution passed by this association, warning our superiors that we take no part in politics at the polls, is backed up absolutely by our members."

"I am glad that District Attorney Rotan has made a clear statement of the requirements of the law. We shall abide by that proclamation in bringing to justice violators of the law and in protecting the voters of this city. The members of our association are determined that there will be a clean election on Tuesday."

Last Thursday night the association passed resolutions in which members were warned not to do anything but police duty on election day. The penalty for any member taking active part in politics or doing anything even under orders which is not in accordance with his oath, will be followed by dismissal from the association.

"Any member of this association who participates in any manner in the coming election, except in the exercise of his franchise as a citizen or in the discharge of his plain duty, is unworthy of being a member of this association and should be expelled."

"As police officers, it is our duty to render to each citizen, impartially and irrespective of factional politics, the full protection to which the laws of this state and our oath of office obligate us, irrespective of any orders which may be given by any superior in violation of the law."

He said that the members of the association have absolutely refused to pay the political assessments levied on them, although the time for payment was extended by the "government-by-murder" agents until last Friday night.

Former Directors of Public Safety, Ritter, Driggs and Porter united in warning the "Vare-Smith controlled police that their vote will be watched by their 'bosses,' but urged them to enforce their rights as voters. The statement reads:

"We learn from thoroughly trustworthy sources that the employees of the Department of Public Safety have been asked to request assistance in marking their ballots. The purpose of such action is to make sure that each employee will vote as the political leader in control of the division wishes him to vote."

"In writing this letter we are not interested in the nominee for whom you vote, but we are deeply interested that every man in the department should thoroughly maintain his right of citizenship and express it in a free ballot."

"We hope that you will not permit this form of interference and official tyranny to be exercised upon you and that you will vote as you choose, without enforced assistance from anybody—being free citizens and exercising your legitimate rights."

"We venture to address you because at different times we have been directly associated with the department as directors thereof."

"FRANK M. RITTER, 'ROBERT D. DRIGGS, 'GEORGE D. PORTER."

INSTRUCTIONS MAY NOT BE FINAL, BUT OTHERS MAY BE GIVEN THEM LATER. SHALL HAVE MY MEN MINGLE IN THE CROWD AND ASCERTAIN JUST WHAT IS ON FOOT.

District Attorney Rotan today said that if any further information comes to him during the day, showing definitely that he is planned to send any of the men to Philadelphia, he would immediately notify the authorities here. He has been co-operating with District Attorney Rotan in his investigations into the Fifth Ward murder conspiracy case, in which Samuel G. Maloney, of the Val O'Farrell Detective Agency, testified that he brought "runners" here from New York at the request of the Vare-Smith machine in order to intimidate voters at the primary elections.

Permission was granted today by District Attorney Rotan to Frederick A. Cooke, superintendent of Moyamensing Prison, to put other prisoners in the same cells now occupied by the seven New York gunmen who were charged with complicity in the murder of Policeman George A. Kippley in the "Bloody Fifth" Ward on primary election day. Superintendent Cooke called on Mr. Rotan today and told him that the lack of cell room in "Moya" was such that he would like to put other prisoners, not connected with the Fifth Ward murder, in the cells now occupied by the seven New York gunmen. Cooke said that up to this time each gunman has had a cell to himself, as is customary in the case of prisoners charged with murder or complicity in murder.

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VICTORY FOR HILLQUIT IS SOCIALISTS' CLAIM

Arithmetical Calculation Gives "Peace" Candidate 250,000 Votes in Gotham Race

NEW YORK, Nov. 5. Morris Hillquit, anti-war Socialist candidate for Mayor of New York, today claimed he would poll at least 250,000 votes in tomorrow's election. Socialist headquarters announced this was based on a systematic canvass of all boroughs.

If 450,000 votes are cast, 250,000 would elect Hillquit on his "immediate peace negotiations" platform. Mayor Mitchell's headquarters declared this afternoon the Mayor would be elected by a margin of from 30,000 to 50,000.

At Tammany Hall, while William M. Bennett, Republican candidate, denounced "Boss" Murphy from the sidewalk in front of the building, Murphy was in secret conference with his leaders this afternoon. Tammany workers predicted John F. Hyland's election, but refused to forecast his vote. It was admitted the issue would be close.

Mayor Mitchell today carried his vote fight to the camp of the New York soldiers at Vanbank, L. I. That Tammany also is out after the fighting men's support was evidenced by the fact that many sailors were seen around Murphy's headquarters during the afternoon.

HELD ON MISUSING MAILS Contractor Charges Prisoner With Sending Threatening Letter

Threatening in a letter to tell about "something that was wrong" with the construction of a building put up by Alexander Chandler, a contractor and builder, unless Chandler paid \$70 alleged back pay, brought Charles H. Draybaugh, of 841 South Fifty-seventh street, before United States Commissioner Long today in the Federal Building. Draybaugh was held in \$500 for further hearing on November 12, on the charge of using the mail unlawfully.

SCRIPTURE FIGURES IN MURDER Dismembered Body of Man Is Found on Lot in Paterson

PATERSON, N. J., Nov. 5.—The body of a man, with arms, legs and head cut off, was found in a vacant lot here today. Brown paper in which the torso was wrapped bore fragmentary quotations from the Bible. The legs were found in bushes nearby. Coroner's Physician Armstrong believes the murder was committed within the last twenty-four hours.

Vote for Emanuel Kline For Magistrate Free to be just. Experienced and trustworthy. Socialist party candidate on Nov. 6th.

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WE KNOW—That taxation of corporations, socialistic legislation and price control of commodities has deprived the stock market of speculative interest.

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LAWYERS' Non-Partisan Campaign Committee FOR THE Election of Judges, 1917

A political advertisement has been inserted in the newspapers, giving the impression that certain candidates for judicial office have the endorsement of the Town Meeting Party.

This announcement is made to contradict any such statement.

THE TOWN MEETING PARTY HAS NOT ENDORSED ANY CANDIDATES FOR JUDICIAL OFFICE.

The present Judges, however, have received the unqualified endorsement of the Lawyers' Non-Partisan Committee and the Public Press.

These Judges are: Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, No. 1, F. Amedee Bregy; Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, No. 3, William C. Ferguson and Charles B. McMichael; Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, No. 4, Charles Y. Audenried; Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, No. 5, John Monaghan and William H. Staake; Judge of the Orphans' Court, Edward A. Anderson and Joseph F. Lamorelle.

A cross placed in the square opposite each of these names in the non-partisan column of the official ballot will insure their re-election.

Protect Your Lives and Property by electing Town Meeting Party Candidates

PROTECT YOUR COURTS from Vare-Smith-Frog Hollow leaders by electing INDEPENDENT JUDGES

Mark Your Ballot as Follows:

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NON-PARTISAN COLUMN F. AMEDEE BREGY

FREDERICK BEYER CHAS. Y. AUDENRIED

EUGENE C. BONNIWELL FREDERICK S. DRAKE

ROBERT F. BONNER

From Public Ledger, May 29, 1917

The Judges and "Politics"

The political machine in Philadelphia has shown by another insolent disregard of decency its contempt for the law as well as the low estimation in which it holds the judicial office and those who occupy it by the grossness of that machine. The Republican City Committee having formally determined upon the renomination of certain Judges of the Common Pleas Courts, a subcommittee of that body has had a meeting to hold a public notification meeting, choosing the ceremony one of the courtrooms in the City Hall. This that the non-partisan ballot at the primary and the election is nothing but a sham is now, as before, the gift of the machine, not the free and untrammeled choice of the voters. This is bad enough, but that a group of Judges should have allowed themselves to be staged as actors in so flagrant a defiance of the spirit of the law is a humiliation and a disgrace to the bench.

The excuse is offered that the non-partisan ballot having failed to take the bench out of "politics," the politicians propose to take the matter into their own hands without the formality of legislative action. This is adding insult to injury.

John R. K. Scott and Harry A. Mackey were the spokesmen for the Frog Hollow City Committee.

Votes for judges must be marked in the Non-Partisan Column

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